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Out Of Balance

While insisting either by pressure or monetary purchase on other peoples the adoption of our way of life, we should first examine our own ways, correct the fallacies and offer a basic pattern for others to follow. No doubt but what our way is best even with all its drawbacks, but how much easier it would be to get others to follow if we corrected some of our own faults.

Aside from the political confusion, we are out of balance in recognizing basic values. Reports declare that self-indulgence led the people of this nation in 1947 to spend fifteen billion dollars for alcoholic beverages, movies, and tobacco and another fifteen billion dollars for war while only one and one-half billions were spent for church and Christian purposes. Such a condition must puzzle other peoples who find it difficult to keep body and soul together.

In this land where we profess Christianity, religious sects are at each other's throat, and are divided on doctrines within their own groups. More people are outside than there are inside the church. More people fish, play golf, go to the tracks, attend the movies on Sunday than are to be found inside the churches.

Promoting Improvidence?

Christian Science Monitor.

Temptation to many elderly people to hide or divest themselves of the resources that would make them independent in order to obtain public assistance is persistently offered by government. In consequence, many claim virtual poverty and ask for the liberal payments of old-age assistance when they shouldn't.

If the old-age insurance of the federal gov-

the people of 65 and over would not turn to relief. But the old-age payments, which are based on taxes paid by worker and employer for a number of years preceding retirement, have not been increased since 1939. They have been put altogether out of date by the jump in living costs, and today are far too low.

This unfortunate trend is notably illustrated in the experience of Massachusetts. Grants of old-age assistance made after a needs test averaged \$61.48 in December of 1948. But the average of the old-age insurance benefits here came to only \$26.47 a month in the same period.

The extra money given in cases of need has had its part in causing the "relievers" in Massachusetts greatly to outnumber the insured. Recipients of assistance grants in December totaled 90,497, against 58,069 of the insured. This is altogether undesirable and contrary to the original design of the social security system. The monthly insurance benefits should be increased to provide a basic minimum of economic security or floor of protection. The coverage should also be broadened to include millions of workers now excluded.

The responsibility belongs to Congress. It has neglected to raise the insurance payments though several times boosting the relief grants, and has taken no action toward extending the system. The quicker Congress does something, the greater will be its encouragement of thrift, self-reliance, and good citizenship.

Illinois Expose

The odor in Illinois, as uncovered by the St. Louis Post-Dispatch and the Chicago Daily News, comes from a stink as unhealthy and corrupt as any that has ever soiled the reputation of American journalism.

Thirty-seven daily and weekly newspapermen were found to have been on the payroll of the state administration at various times from 1941 to 1948. Total payments are known to have exceeded \$325,000 for work identified as "messengers," "clerks," "investigators," "field men," etc.

These men, as all newspapermen, had an obligation to the public. Their readers looked to them for impartial news stories, fair and objective editorial treatment. They violated their trust. How can you be impartial in news treatment or fair in editorial comment when you are being paid by the organization about which you write?

These 37 newspapermen may be disciplined by their own readers. There is no machinery by which they could be disciplined by their fellow-editors, publishers, and reporters. But other newspapermen should do something about it, and quickly.

Every newspaperman and every newspaper association should denounce this violation of honest journalistic ethics.—Editor and Publisher.

Faith visits us in defeat and disappointment, amid the consciousness of earthly frailty and the crumbling tombstones of mortality.—E. H. Chapin.

CHURCH NEWS

OAK CITY CHRISTIAN

Olin Fox, Pastor.
Sunday school at 10:00. Ernest Bunting, Supt.
Christian Youth Fellowship at 7:00 p. m.
Preaching 2nd Sunday, 11:00 a. m. and 8:00 p. m.
Woman's Council Wednesday afternoon after 2nd Sunday

HASSELL CHRISTIAN

Olin Fox, Pastor.
Sunday school at 10:00. C. B. Burroughs, Supt.
Christian Youth Fellowship at Preaching 1st and 3rd Sundays at 11 a. m. and 8:00 p. m.
Woman's Council, Wednesday night after 1st Sunday.

EVERETTS CHRISTIAN

Olin Fox, Pastor.
Sunday school at 10:00. Mrs. Geo. Taylor, Supt.
Christian Youth Fellowship every Monday night.
Preaching 4th Sunday at 11:00 a. m. and 8:00 p. m.
Woman's Council Saturday afternoon before 1st Sunday.

HOLINESS

N. J. Ward, Pastor.
Sunday school at 9:45. Sam Whichard, Supt.
Morning worship at 11:00. Youth service at 6:30.
Evangelistic service at 7:45. Mid-week prayer service, Wednesday night at 7:30.

CHURCH OF CHRIST

Hamilton
Sunday school at 10 o'clock. T. F. Respass, Supt.
Morning service and Lords Supper at 11 o'clock.
Evening service at 8.
Rev. Neal Puckett of Atlanta Christian College, Atlanta, Ga., will deliver the sermons and everyone is invited to hear him.

EVERETTS BAPTIST

E. R. Stewart, Pastor.
10 a. m., Bible school.
6:45, Baptist Training Union.
2:30 to 5:00 p. m. each day this week, Daily Vacation Bible school.
Commencement Friday night at 8:00. Thursday night, prayer services.
Joint picnic with the Christian church June 23 at Whichard's Beach.

HAMILTON BAPTIST

E. R. Stewart, Pastor.
10 a. m., Bible school.
11 a. m., Worship service, "Christian Education Day" observed, President B. D. Bunn has been invited.
7:00 p. m., Baptist Training Union.
8:00, Evening worship, "Christ Our Hope of Eternal Life."
8:00, Wednesday. Mid-week prayer service.
8:00, Tuesday night, W. M. S. will meet with Mrs. J. H. Lillard.
Hamilton Baptist Sunday school will hold its annual picnic June 29th.

Jamesville Baptist

W. B. Harrington, Pastor.
Regular services will be held at Jamesville Baptist Church, Sunday, at 11:00 o'clock. All members are urged to be present and the public is invited.

RIDDICK'S GROVE

W. B. Harrington, Pastor.
The revival meeting will begin at Riddick's Grove Baptist Church Sunday night at 8:00 o'clock, and continue through next week, closing on the fourth Sunday. Rev. P. E. Nickens, pastor of Ludford Memorial Baptist Church, in Plymouth, will be with us and do the preaching after Sunday night.
The public is invited to come out and hear Mr. Nickens and worship at the services.

MACEDONIA CHRISTIAN

P. E. Cayton, Pastor.
Bible school at 10. J. S. Holliday, Supt.
Church service at 11.
Evening service at 8.

CHRISTIAN

John L. Goff, Pastor.
Bible school, 9:45. Classes for all ages. Men's Bible class, E. S. Peel, teacher; Philathea Bible Class, Mrs. G. G. Woolard, teacher. Morning worship and celebration of the Lord's Supper, 11:00. Sermon subject: "The Importance of Now." Supper meeting of C. Y. F. and Chi Rho groups at 6:30. Evening praise and worship service, 8:00. Sermon subject: "Our Great Cheerleader." Monday 8:00. Woman's Council meets at the church. Tuesday, 8:00. Choir rehearsal. Wednesday 8:00. Mid-week prayer and praise service. Subject: "Christ's Coming Kingdom."

Church Of The Advent

(Episcopal)
Sunday school, 9:45.
There will be no Bible Class or Morning services due to repairs to the church.
METHODIST CHURCH NEWS
E. R. Shuller, Minister.
9:45, Church school. Fletcher Thomas, Supt.
11:00, Morning worship.
6:30, Youth Fellowship.
8:00, Evening worship.
8:00, Monday. Woman's Society of Christian Service meets at the church.
8:00, Tuesday. Meeting of the Laymen's Club.
8:00, Wednesday. Bible study.
8:45, Wednesday. Senior choir rehearsal.
7:30, Youth choir rehearsal.
3:00, Friday. Circle No. 1, will hold a "bake sale" at the church.

PRESBYTERIAN

Williamston: Sunday school, 9:45. Morning service, 11. Sermon topic: "Prayer and Life's Demands." Prayer meeting Wednesday night at 8:00. Youth Fellowship Wednesday night at 7:15. The Women of the Church will meet Monday night at 8:00 at the church. Pioneer Vespers will meet Sunday night at 5:30.
Roberson's Chapel: Sunday school, 12:30. Prayer meeting Tuesday night at 8:00. Youth Fellowship Thursday night at 8:00.

Bear Grass: Sunday school, 10. Evening service, 8. Prayer meeting Thursday night at 8:00. Youth Fellowship Tuesday night at 8.

COMMENCEMENT PLANNED ON NEXT SUNDAY EVENING

The Daily Vacation Bible School of Cedar Branch Baptist Church will have its commencement exercises Sunday night at 8:00 o'clock. The public is invited. Mrs. Windell Modlin is principal.

Less speed and more courtesy in your driving will help.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE

Having this day qualified as administrator of the estate of the late Jesse S. Ambrose, deceased, this is to notify all persons holding claims against said estate to present them for payment on or before the 9th day of June, 1950, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate settlement.

This May 6, 1949.

Robert H. Cowen,
Administrator.
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ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE

Having this day qualified as administratrix of the estate of Ralph J. Parker, deceased, this is to notify all persons holding claims against said estate to present them for payment on or before the 23rd day of May, 1950, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate settlement.

This May 23, 1949.

Mrs. Louise H. Parker, Administratrix of the estate of
Ralph J. Parker.
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